Remarks

In the Final Office Action dated August 14, 2008, the following rejections are present: claims 1, 5 and 10 stand rejected under U.S.C. § 103(a) over Paratore (U.S. Patent No. 6,294,997); and claim 4 stands rejected under U.S.C. § 103(a) over Paratore in view of Heinrich (U.S. Patent No. 6,404,325). Claims 2-3 and 6-9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant traverses all of the rejections and, unless explicitly stated by the Applicant, does not acquiesce to any objection, rejection or averment made in the Office Action.

Applicant traverses each of the rejections for lack of correspondence. As noted in the Office Action, even as broadly construed in the Office Action, the asserted reference is cited for an embodiment that does not include and/or operate as claimed with two capacitive-based circuits (*i.e.*, first storage capacitor and a second storage capacitor) and, therefore, cannot be construed to operate in a similar manner for a rejection under §103(a). Similarly, the newly-added claims 11-15 involve capacitive-based circuits that contrast the teaching in the cited reference. For support for claims 11-15, see discussion presented with Figures 1-2; and for support for claims 16-19, see discussion presented with Figure 3.

In view of the remarks above, Applicant believes that each of the rejections/objections has been overcome and the application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact the agent overseeing the application file, Aaron Waxler, of NXP Corporation at (408) 474-9063.

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